

**REMARKS**

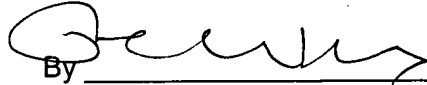
The allowance of claims 1-15 has been noted.

Claim 16 has been amended to obviate the Examiner's Section 112, 2nd ¶ rejection. Accordingly, claim 16 is also thought to be allowable and, therefore, reconsideration of the rejection thereof is requested.

The application is thought to be in allowable condition and allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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